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### UM APPOINTS NCAA FACULTY REPRESENTATIVE

#### MISSOULA --

The University of Montana - Missoula has announced the appointment of a new faculty representative to the National Collegiate Athletic Association.

UM President George Dennison has appointed political science Professor James J. Lopach to replace the late Robert O. Lindsay, longtime UM history professor, who died Sunday, Sept. 17.

Lindsay served as NCAA faculty representative for seven years. Lopach said Lindsay set an "exemplary model" for him to follow as faculty representative.

"Like Bob, I see that the primary purpose of the position is to advocate and protect the academic interests of the University and of the student athlete," he said.

Lopach, a UM faculty member since 1973, recently served as UM's associate provost. He has also served as acting director of the Maureen and Mike Mansfield Center, associate dean of the College of Arts and Sciences and special assistant to the president for the semester conversion project. In spring 1995 he was involved in a study of UM's athletics department to determine whether UM meets accreditation standards for the NCAA Division I athletics certification program.

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